

IRISH PRESIDENT CONVICTED AS REBEL BY A COURT-MARTIAL

Chief of Volunteers and Professor in Irish National University Not Yet Sentenced

WHITE GETS 3 MONTHS

LONDON, May 24.—John MacNeill, president of the Sinn Fein Volunteers and a member of the Irish National University, was today convicted by a Dublin court-martial of participation in the revolution.

MacNeill, formerly a civil officer in the Four Courts building, was tried secretly, having been arrested on his return to Dublin. It was reported that he clashed with Sinn Fein leaders regarding the advisability of starting the revolution and left the Irish capital before the revolts broke out. The authorities, however, charged that MacNeill was connected with the plot.

Sentence was pronounced later. That Sir Roger Casement held the view Ireland could not be independent and have home rule until England was overthrown by a stronger European Power, was brought out today. Captain R. White, D. S. O., was arraigned in court at Aberlure, charged with offenses under the defense of the realm act.

Captain White, son of the late Sir George White, a field marshal in the British army, was found guilty and sentenced to three months.

Sensational statements relative to White's connection with the Irish revolutionists were made in court. Unusual interest was attached to the case by reason of the prominence of the prisoner.

White had a good army record, it was said, but during the last year or so his activities had been in close association with James Larkin, the Irish labor leader, who is now in the United States; Sir Roger Casement, the Countess Markievicz, James Connolly, Joseph Plunkett, J. Skerrin, the Irish editor, who was shot without court-martial, and others.

There was a difference of opinion between Captain White and Sir Roger, it was said, as to the best means of bringing about home rule for Ireland.

Counsel for the Government stated that White had gone into South Wales with the object of inducing coal miners to strike in order to compel the Government to show leniency toward the leaders of the Irish revolutionists.

White's counsel declared that the real object of the defendant's visit to South Wales was to enlighten the miners as to the real meaning of the Sinn Fein movement.

MAYOR SMITH MAY BE DELEGATE-AT-LARGE

Returns From 55 Counties Make His Selection Probable—McLaughlin Leads Sobel

Returns from 55 of the 67 counties in the State indicate that Mayor Smith may yet be found to have been elected a delegate-at-large to the Republican National Convention. Joseph McLaughlin, of Philadelphia, is now leading Sobel, of Erie, by more than 3000 for the fourth nomination for Congress-at-large. The returns on the delegate-at-large follow:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Votes. Includes names like Aaron, Adams, Alcorn, etc.

For the fourth nomination for Republican Congress-at-large, returns from 2300 districts in the State show Joseph McLaughlin, of Philadelphia, leading for Sobel, of Erie, 14,490. The missing districts include 153 in Allegheny County, all of Cambria, 19 districts in Lycoming and 120 in Montgomery County.

Additional returns received today on the vote cast for Sobel and McLaughlin give the following:

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MARTIN COWDERY, KING OF CULINARY ARTISTS, DEAD AND EPICURES MOURN

Famous Negro Chef, Caterer for City's Elite, Dies at Advanced Age—Noted Far and Wide for "Terrapin a la Cowdery"

Martin Cowdery is dead, and blue-blooded and epicurean Philadelphia mourns his taking off. For nearly three generations of Assembly and Beneditz's balls none of the social elite regarded those exclusive affairs without visions of the terrapin a la Cowdery that was always the chef d'oeuvre of the midnight supper in the old Academy foyer.

It was as much a concomitant of those midwinter affairs as the time-honored ballroom scene from "La Traviata" which formed the stage background. And it was far more appealing to the majority of those attending than their birthright membership in the Assembly ball.

Cowdery and terrapin were synonymous. That is, terrapin that was terrapin, cooked and served as that royal dish should be prepared before southern palates. Price, however, Augustine they were as always as the debut of that ballroom setting, but Cowdery and his terrapin were living, vital, and their joint presence alone assured a never-to-be-forgotten gastronomic memory.

HELD CULINARY SECURE For 45 years Assembly, Beneditz's, Bal Masque had regarded Cowdery and his terrapin as a "sine qua non." In that long period Martin had been intimately known, through their stomachs, to every Philadelphia bon vivant at their weddings, in their club dinners, even when they slipped away to Bar Harbor, Newport, Palm Beach, or to foreign climes, their jaded palates refused to be appeased without the terrapin as it issued, under Cowdery's preparation from his own secret formula, fit for royal appetites. It was no uncommon occurrence for the old and faithful, carefully guarded against the perils of the long journey, to make the voyage to London or Paris in response to the appeal of some Philadelphia Philadelphia whose gastronomic patriotism related the best skill of English cook or French maître de cuisine.

Cowdery, through his terrapin, became famous beyond the bounds of this adopted city, but the weight of years told heavily upon him and yesterday he died at his home, 118 E. Locust place, after an illness of two months. He was on the edge of fourscore, five decades of which had been devoted to catering. Forty-five years he had lived in that house, first in the night of the more palatial residences

Senate Asked to Protect U. S. Interests in Ireland

WASHINGTON, May 24.—The Foreign Relations Committee voted today to recommend to the Senate that immediate action be taken for the protection of American lives and property in the revolution zone in Ireland. The committee decided to report favorably Senator Kern's resolution to that effect.

The Kern resolution was drafted in response to hundreds of inquiries from all parts of the country concerning the safety of American tourists and students in and about Dublin during the revolution.

GERMAN MEASLES DASH INTO SOLDIERENES' CAMP

Attack on One Chevy Chase "Rookie" Followed by Big Rush for Mirrors

Evening Ledger Staff Correspondent CHEVY CHASE, Md., May 24.—The measles "rookie" camp happened today. It was an invasion by German measles.

It, they, or them, whatever measles are or is, descended upon the camp without preliminary skirmishing and caused general alarm. There was a quick scurrying about for mirrors and close inspections of faces. A round-up of the camp after the "bottle" showed that only one soldier had fallen in the attack—Miss Whittey.

A rumor was spread that the camp may be quarantined, but as this is not official there is hope.

In addition to the measles there were other "quainties." Miss Ellen Newbold, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. W. E. Light of Plainfield, N. J., were attacked with colds. They were removed from the field of battle temporarily and taken to Washington in a limousine to the home of Miss Eudora Clover until the weather is better. Miss Clover has been given the rank of captain, and is sharing the commandant's tent.

Miss Harriet Hackett entered a sprained ankle and was sent home and Mrs. Carl Williams is suffering from bilious fever.

To add to the general gloom it has been raining for two days. If it continues, this place will be called the Chevy Chase naval station instead of Chevy Chase military camp.

Many of the soldierenies are suffering from wiggwagitis. It crops out at all times. The victim makes grotesque motions with arms and queer sounds like a mother singing lullaby to her baby.

The "disease" cannot be checked until next Monday, when the examinations take place. Those who pass the crisis successfully will be given certificates pronouncing them cured.

That many of the students have much to learn was evident today when a girl was found knitting a queer contrivance which looked like a pen wiper. She told one private that it was a jacket to boil potatoes in. It appears that she heard the instructor in arithmetic announce that all potatoes should be cooked in jackets.

Company C has a surprise in store for the camp on Friday night in the shape of a vaudeville show. The acts will concern subjects in which the audience at Chevy Chase will be specially interested.

Among others who will do stunts will be Sergeant Joseph Foster, Miss Suzanne Lee, Miss Edith Huff, Miss Betty Deacon, Miss Katherine Field, Miss Corinne English and Miss Josephine Hayden, of Philadelphia.

ITALIANS DEMAND WAR AGAINST GERMAN EMPIRE

Kaiser Soon to Visit Tyrol Front, Is Report

ROME, May 24.—Demand in some quarters that Italy declare war on Germany has followed publication of reports that the Kaiser is about to visit the Austro-Italian front and that German troops are to aid in the Austrian offensive.

One report in wide circulation is that the Kaiser plans to force a declaration of war by Italy through a personal affront such as a visit to the Austrian Crown Prince's headquarters.

Since the beginning of the Austro-Italian war there have been rumors that German soldiers and German guns were aiding the Austrians, but there has been no official report of such capture of any Germans. Rumors that the Germans are directing the drive against northern Italy have been in circulation for several days.

"Willing Workers" Organize RHIGLIVILLE, Pa., May 24.—Church workers at Rhigliville have started a Willing Workers' Association to aid in charitable pursuits, and these officers have been elected: Mrs. Anne Watson, president; Mrs. John L. Miller, vice president; Miss Elizabeth Kerbach, secretary; Mrs. Davis Sutton, treasurer.

LATIN-AMERICA FEARS U. S. DASH INTO MEXICO

San Salvador Attache, in New York, Says Expedition Is Condemned

An ominous warning was contained in a statement this morning of Senor Manuel Peralta, secretary to the San Salvador consulate in New York, who said that his countrymen as a whole and other Latin-American republics were opposed to the expeditionary force operating in Mexico.

This was not due to any particular friendship for Mexico, but it was rather that the presence of any United States troops in foreign American soil caused uneasiness and hostility, he explained.

"But what can we do?" he said, sitting in the lobby of the Bellevue-Stratford. "If your country wants to send troops into Mexico, there is no way for the republics to prevent it. The United States is too strong; it could crush any of the small nations individually and perhaps all of them collectively. We do not like the Mexicans—they are ignorant, of a very low type, and there is a great deal of poverty among them. On the other hand, San Salvador is a wealthy nation. Mexico is considered a long way from our country, and so we do not bother much with Mexican troubles."

Senor Peralta was asked if it were not possible to show the republics that the cause of this country was just and that it was necessary to send the troops into Mexico.

"Perhaps it might be done," he said slowly and hesitatingly. "But it will take a long time, and even then I do not think all the people can be won over to such a belief."

Captain Horacio Ozeña, of the Argentine navy, who is at the Hotel Walton, reported differently for his nation, but said that the opinion of the mass of the people was difficult to determine, especially as it was two months since he had been there. He said that the Nation, the principal newspaper, which was published at Buenos Aires, had editorially commended the expedition into Mexico, but he added that he was doubtful if it reflected the sentiment of the majority of Argentines.

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The memorandum further says that it is "especially important that the lands east of the Panama Canal, and the areas adjoining the present canal zone in the hands of any other Power, it was pointed out, the canal could not be held in case of attack from land."

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Schmolz, who was an employee of the company, was shot while making collections for the firm in December, 1914. He was able to return to the office and turn in his money and then went to a hospital where he died 10 days later. His assailant was unknown and was never found.

BOY, DRUG FIEND, KILLS MOTHER WHEN SHE DENIES HIM MONEY

War Widow Victim of Son Who Brooded Over Carman Case

NEW YORK, May 24.—Coney Island's Sunday murder mystery has been cleared up by the confession of Walter, 17-year-old son of Mrs. Frances Levinofski, the victim.

His mind poisoned by drugs, his system weakened by tuberculosis, Walter came out of the Metropolitan Hospital, Blackwell's Island, a few days ago. He had lived with his mother near the Carman home, at Mineola. He had taken a morbid interest in the mystery.

Desperate for money, Walter went to the Reiner home, 2955 West 34th street, Coney Island, where his mother was employed as a domestic. The war had taken her husband from her forever in the fighting at Villa last summer.

While William Reiner and his wife sat on the back porch, Walter went stealthily to his mother's room. He demanded money. She had none to give. Walter fired five bullets into her body and fled. Yesterday he confessed.

DENTAL CLASS OFFICERS AT MEDICO-CHI



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WOMEN TO INSPECT BYBERRY

Advisory Council Will Observe Conditions at Hospital

City institutions at Byberry and Holmeburg will be inspected today by the Women's Advisory Council of the Philadelphia Board of Health. The council has observed the conditions which funds from the improvement loan will correct they will have a chicken dinner.

Mrs. John C. Groome is president of the council and Mrs. Thomas Robins is secretary. They will be accompanied by the following: Mrs. George Quintard Horwitz, Mrs. P. McNichol, Mrs. E. S. Yare, Mrs. Wilmer Krusen, Mrs. S. Lewis Ziegler, Mrs. Thomas Potter, Jr., Mrs. Wilson Potter, Mrs. John P. Nicholson, Miss Helen Fleisher, Mrs. E. T. Stetson, Mrs. Barclay Warburton, Mrs. Reed A. Morgan and Baroness Meyer de Schauensee.

Norwood Association Elects Officers H. P. Ford has been re-elected president of the Norwood Home and School Association. Other officers elected are: Vice president, the Rev. Stanley Billheimer; secretary, Eugene A. Skilton, and treasurer, Harry L. Deppen.

GRIM DEATH IGNORES HIM

Electricity Tardy, So Jerseyman's Sui-cidal Attempt Fails

NEW YORK, May 24.—John Joekel, of Church Hill road, Shadyide, N. J., decided to bid earth farewell yesterday. Having no Stix crossing instrument at hand, he hit upon a novel method of electrocution. He walked down the road about 200 feet from his home and lowered a public arc light by its rope. Then he cut away globe and frame, scraped the wire bare, tied them around his neck and calmly awaited the current that would send him beyond. But a policeman arrived before the current, which was not turned on until eight hours later, and Joekel was taken to the North Bergen calaboose, charged with attempted suicide.

Frederick Named Prothonotary HARRISBURG, Pa., May 24.—Harvey S. Frederick, of Souderton, was today appointed Prothonotary of Montgomery County by Governor Brumbaugh. He succeeds S. H. Drake, resigned.

York Man Hangs Himself YORK, Pa., May 24.—Francis Kelly, a laborer, becoming melancholy after excessive drinking, hanged himself in the Grape Hotel stable, in this city, today. He was 55 years old.

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RUSSIANS OCCUPY TOWN ON TURKO-PERSIAN LINE

Slavs Capture Serdecht After Three-Day March—Repulse Attacks

PETROGRAD, May 24.—The forces operating south of Lake Urmiah have occupied Serdecht, on the Turko-Persian border, according to an official statement issued here last night. These forces were reported three days ago as having occupied Sakin, and advanced to the village of Ban, 45 miles to the southward. Serdecht is 30 miles west of Ban.

The movement reported marks a distinct advance toward realization of the Russian objective, Serdecht being not more than two days' march from the Little Zab River, an affluent of the Tigris. Once Serdecht is gained, the Russian forces will have comparatively flat country for the 150-mile march to Mosul, on the Tigris, 250 miles north of Baghdad.

In the Caucasus region the repulse of several Turkish attempts to take the offensive southwest of Trebizond is reported. A further gain to the westward is indicated by the phrase "yesterday's official": "On one of the slopes north of the Taurus Mountains, in the direction of Hiunchikhan, we dislodged the Turks from an organized position."

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 24.—As a result of the capture of Serdecht, the Turkish plan of campaign in Mesopotamia has been changed. Troops have been withdrawn on the right bank of the Tigris. The Turkish War Office last night issued the following statement:

"On the Mesopotamian front in view of the favorable new situation resulting from the capture of Kut-el-Amara a change of our defensive plans has become necessary. Three days ago we withdrew our troops a little on the right bank of the Tigris. The enemy did not realize this until two days later. We established the fact that the enemy advanced against our positions on the right bank of the Tigris with only a portion of his cavalry, with the sole purpose of reconnoitering."

On the Caucasian front on Sunday the situation on the right wing was quiet. There was some local infantry fighting in the center. On the night of May 18-20 the enemy undertook two surprise attacks on our outposts on the left wing. These attacks were repulsed.

More Money for Rockmen SHENANDOAH, Pa., May 24.—James Matthews, of this city, president of District No. 9, United Mine Workers of America, and conciliator for the mine workers, and W. J. Richards, president of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company, conciliator for the operators, signed a new scale agreement late yesterday whereby the rockmen at all the collieries in Dauphin, Columbia, Northumberland and Schuylkill counties get a 5 per cent. increase in wages in addition to an eight hour day.

Killed by Fall Down Stairs CHESTER, Pa., May 24.—Peter McGurk died in the Chester Hospital from injuries received when he fell down a flight of stairs at his home, 338 East 9th street, last Saturday. He received a fractured skull and never regained consciousness.

Estabrook Quits Headquarters CHICAGO, May 24.—Henry D. Estabrook, of New York, who competed with Senator Cummins in the primaries of two States, gave up his hotel reservation today. No one here could say whether this meant he had abandoned the race for the Republican presidential nomination.

"Browsing on the Border," by James Hopper, will make clear to you many of the mysterious features of our Mexican situation. It is a most entertaining article which you will enjoy reading in this week's

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FARM WORK MUCH BEHIND Crops Are Two Weeks Late and Need of Sunshine

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 24.—Farmers throughout Pennsylvania are two weeks behind in their work because of the lack of the season. Even in the southern counties, where usually at this time of year the corn has all been planted, the farmers are still busy seeding their fields.

Lack of labor has retarded the harvest somewhat in their work, but the season has kept them back more. At the State Department of Agriculture it is said there is plenty of moisture in the ground, but there has been a lack of sunshine, badly needed at this period.

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